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11. (SBU) Pol Counselor delivered reftel talking points to MFA Deputy Ricardo Duran. Duran told Pol Counselor he was doubtful that Panama would accept migrants from Guantanamo but he would check with MFA for a final answer. Comment: Duran's answer is a diplomatic "no." In recent years, Panama has shown little receptiveness to refugees, even from neighboring countries such as Colombia.

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